



CASE PD/4-32805A

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1614

GRASSBERGER ET AL.

Examiner: Peselev, Elli

APPLICATION NO: 10/550,356 FILED: NOVEMBER 3, 2005

FOR: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING A MACROLIDE

IMMUNOMODULATOR

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of April 10, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 10, 2007. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1020 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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